

September 25, 2015

## Ocotillo District Weekly Update

### Valley Metro West Phoenix/Central Glendale High Capacity Transit Study Information

#### What is the timeline for the West Phoenix/Central Glendale Project?

As you may know, Valley Metro has a study underway to identify transit options to connect downtown Glendale to the light rail system. The project is scheduled for operations in 2026, but critical decisions are being made in the current study to determine a route and type of transit (light rail or bus rapid transit). That study will conclude in early 2016 with a vote by the Glendale and Phoenix City Councils. We want to hear from you! To learn more about the project and how you can provide input, visit

[valleymetro.org/Glendale](http://valleymetro.org/Glendale).

**If you would like to discuss your concerns regarding Light Rail / Bus Rapid Transit please contact Councilmember Aldama by calling 623-930-2249 or emailing [jaldama@glendaleaz.com](mailto:jaldama@glendaleaz.com).**

#### Glendale Honored For Stormwater Conservation Efforts.

On September 12, the City of Glendale and the City of Mesa received the Crescordia Award from Arizona Forward. The award recognizes the two cities for their partnership in developing a Low Impact Development (LID) Toolkit. LID utilizes the landscape to absorb storm runoff, reducing offsite flows that can contribute to flooding and infrastructure costs. LID can be



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designed landscapes. The toolkit can supplement, and sometimes reduce the need for, traditional methods for stormwater management. Considered the Academy Award in the environmental arena, Crescordia is a Greek term that means "To Grow in Harmony." The LID Toolkit won top honors in the Healthy Communities - Public Policies / Plans category. I want to congratulate the Water Services Department for their achievements in stormwater conservation.

**To find out information about street construction / traffic restrictions, or the pavement management program please click on the link below.**

<http://www.glendaleaz.com/improvements/>

### **Bulk Trash Collection**

Please click on the link below to view the bulk trash pick-up schedule. As a reminder, residents are asked to place bulk trash out no earlier than 6 a.m. on the Thursday before your scheduled service week and no later than 6 a.m. on the Monday of your scheduled service week. It is a violation of city ordinance to put bulk trash out before or after the assigned period. Failure to comply may result in enforcement action, including charges to the resident.

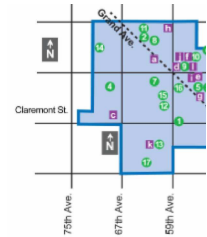
<http://www.glendaleaz.com/sanitation/documents/2015BulkTrashEnglish.pdf>

### **Glendale Fire Department Deploys New Fire Unit To Reduce Call Volume**

Glendale Fire Department has deployed a new fire unit in an effort to reduce the use of emergency apparatus for non-life-threatening responses. The unit is called "LA151" and it stands for Low Acuity 151 which means it will handle calls that are non-life-threatening in nature. These non-emergent calls generate some 9,000 calls for assistance each year in Glendale that are normally handled by either a busy paramedic ladder or engine company that could be serving on more serious calls elsewhere in the City.

Calls that do not need a fire truck and a four person crew will be routed to LA151 thus reducing engine or ladder company responses in Glendale's already over-burdened fire and EMS response system. LA151 is staffed by a Captain Paramedic and EMT Firefighter. The unit will be dispatched on non-life threatening calls but have the ability to call for additional resources if necessary once on scene. The crew recently underwent training in Mesa and Chandler to observe similar systems. Glendale Fire Department responded to approximately 37,000 calls for service in 2014 and individual apparatus response rates currently exceed the national average of about 2,000 calls per unit. About 50% of Glendale's fire apparatus fleet is responding to over 3,000 calls per year with some of those calls being low acuity in nature.

LA151 will be a one year pilot program and additional low acuity units may be placed into service if the pilot data supports the low acuity response concept. Glendale Fire will evaluate the unit's efficiency over the next many



### **Safe Haven Pro**

**Are you afraid to  
want to keep your  
baby?**

**Do you just want  
someone to give  
baby to, keep it  
and make sure  
baby gets a good  
home?**

You have options. Arizona has the **Haven Law** that identifies places mothers can safely give their babies with no fear of prosecution. A Safe Haven crisis response team is available to assist you with questions, options, resources, 24/7. 1-866-707-2229

If your baby is unharmed, is under 24 hours old and you intend to reclaim your baby, you have options. Simply bring your baby to the Safe Haven locations:

**Any Hospital  
Any Ambulance**

months and determine a further course of action while continuing to serve the community.

### **City of Glendale TV Station Recognized With Two Emmy Nominations.**

Glendale 11 has been nominated for two Rocky Mountain Region Emmy Awards for its coverage of Super Bowl 49, held at University of Phoenix Stadium in February.

The city's Emmy-award winning broadcast team is nominated in two different categories; Politics/Government News Series for its entry called "[Glendale's Got Game Composite](#)" as well as Special Event Coverage (other than News or Sports)-Live or Edited for its entry called "[Glendale's Got Game: Super Bowl 49.](#)" In a unique relationship, Glendale's Super Bowl preparedness stories also aired on 3TV and CBS5. The city had a similar partnership with CBS5 during the lead-up to the 2008 Super Bowl, also held in Glendale.

The Rocky Mountain Emmy is the industry's most prestigious award, recognizing and rewarding excellence in television broadcasting among broadcast professionals from 5 states in the region. "These nominations reflect the high quality production work of the Glendale 11 staff, which is what our residents and visitors deserve", said Laurie Sapp, Glendale Assistant Communications Director. "The success of Super Bowl 49 was truly a team effort among all city employees, and a wonderful way to showcase what Glendale has to offer."

Winners of this year's Emmy Awards will be announced at a ceremony taking place Oct. 17 at Talking Stick Resort in Scottsdale.

Glendale 11 can be seen 24 hours a day on Cox Channel 11 and the city's [website](#).

### **Glendale Releases Arena Compliance Review**

The City of Glendale released today, its final and completed compliance review of the Professional Management Services and Arena Lease Agreement (PMSA).

The review, conducted by the Glendale City Auditor's Office in conjunction with ProEminent Sports, LLC, finds the main issues were administrative in nature and that staff has been working productively with IceArizona to address any outstanding concerns and to ensure processes going forward comply with the amended agreement.

The initial report was dated June 2, 2015. "Recent events including the June 10, 2015 Council action to cancel the PMSA, subsequent negotiations with IceArizona, and the July 24, 2015 Council action to amend the agreement, significantly impacted some of the audit findings", said Glendale Acting City Manager Dick Bowers. "Therefore, we felt it was appropriate for the management responses to reflect the amended agreement."

### **Any Designated Adoption Agency On-duty Fire Station Any Designated Church**

You must hand baby to a person above locations place baby in Safe Haven drawer at designated hospital. Tell them this is safe haven baby and leave. Your baby will be cared for and a home will be found for the baby.

[Drop Off Drawer Locations](#) Click the locations of the drawers with anonymous drawers.

For more information please go to [azsbh2.org/information](http://azsbh2.org/information)

### **Alley Clean-Up**

Alley clean-up work began on September 1 on our 23.4 mile alleys citywide. In the Ocotillo district there are 13.5 miles of alleys comprising 57% of all alleys within the city. Shrub maintenance, trimming, loose debris pick-up, illegal dumping removal, and weed abatement activities are being performed on a quarterly basis.

Maricopa County Probation is also working in our alleys with their work consisting of

### Glendale Celebrates National Library Card Month

A library card is the passport to a world of possibilities! September is National Library Card Month, and the Glendale Public Libraries want to spread the word about this little card with a big value.

During National Library Card Month anyone who comes into a Glendale library to apply for a library card can enter a raffle to throw a pie in the face of a teen librarian! The raffle isn't limited to new card holders; those who already have cards can enter by referring a friend.

Walk into a Glendale library and you will discover a variety of resources that meet the unique needs of the community. These days cardholders not only have the key to the traditional resources, books, magazines, DVDs, and CDs; they also have full access to amenities that provide the latest technologies and services: personal computers, Wi-Fi, eBooks, eReaders, databases, video games and Culture Passes. Many of these services are offered online 24 hours a day.

To apply for a card, visit one of the three Glendale libraries: Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., Velma Teague Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave., or Foothills Branch Library, 19055 N. 57th Ave. A picture ID and proof of current address is required to complete the registration process. Children under 14 require a parent or guardian present to apply. A Glendale library card is free to all Maricopa County residents.

Learn more about Glendale libraries online at [www.glendaleaz.com/library](http://www.glendaleaz.com/library).

### Libraries Expand Online Service with New Partnership

Glendale Public Library announced availability of thousands of movies, television shows, music albums, eBooks, audiobooks and comics via mobile and online access through a new partnership with Hoopla Digital.

Glendale library card holders can now download the free Hoopla Digital mobile app on their Android or IOS device or by visiting [hoopladigital.com](http://hoopladigital.com). Available content includes thousands of titles - from major Hollywood studios, record companies and publishers - available to borrow 24/7, for instant streaming or temporary downloading to smartphones, tablets and computers.

"The library is excited to add Hoopla Digital services to our growing electronic resource offerings for our patrons. The selection is varied and downloading is quick," said Glendale's Chief Librarian, Michael Beck.

"With Hoopla Digital, our patrons can enjoy dynamic content from the library on-the-go," said Kathy Curley, Administrative Librarian for Collection Development. "Being digital, there is no waiting period for popular titles and Hoopla's automatic return means no late fees."

Hoopla Digital is a service of Midwest Tape, a trusted partner to public libraries for more than 25 years.

crew with a super working usually Sundays for 4-5 They collect and large debris and smaller trash. T and trash bags are picked up by Right Way city crews on Monday morning

For any alley work please call 623-2656.

## Coming Up

### Stand Up For Veterans Event

Stand Up For Veterans Event Designed to Assist Vets with Multitude of Resources. On **September 26**, the city of Glendale and various partner agencies will hold the 3rd annual Stand Up For Veterans event at Glendale Community College (GCC). Between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. that day, veterans and their families are invited to attend to find resources that will include resume assistance and employers on hand hiring, healthcare services, Motor Vehicle Division and city court services, free legal advice, GCC educational information, as well as an on-site community service opportunity. In addition, vets can receive a free haircut and lunch will be provided. For more information on the upcoming event and to register, visit [www.glendalestandup.org](http://www.glendalestandup.org) or call the event coordinator at 602-256-9293.

### Learn about how you can get more involved in your community at Volunteer Open House Sept. 26

The volunteer open house will be an opportunity to learn more about Historic Sahuaro Ranch and the various volunteer opportunities that are available. Attendees will also be able to meet the staff and some of the current volunteers. Refreshments will be served. **10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 26**, at the Fruit Packing Shed of Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area, 9802 N. 59th Ave. For more information, call 623-930-4200.

### Touch A Truck Presented By Empire Cat

The annual Touch A Truck event will return to Glendale on **Saturday, October 17 from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.** at the Westgate's east parking lot. Come out, look at, sit in, and touch trucks of all sizes and shapes. This exciting event is a wonderful opportunity for families to see, touch, interact with, and learn about big trucks and their functions. Commercial and industrial vehicles including a stretch limousine, tow trucks, fire trucks, dump trucks, commercial bucket loaders, sanitation vehicles, backhoes and 18-wheelers will be onsite to explore. Live equipment demonstrations will also take place. Along with the trucks there are special activities for children, including inflatables, a sand play area, a miniature roadway with toy vehicles called Tiny Tot Drivers and The Big Dig where children can try their hand at scooping sand with a contraption that works like a backhoe. The event is sponsored by Empire Cat.

### Got Hazardous Waste? Let Glendale Pick It Up For Free

Most of us have cleaning chemicals or other hazardous items laying around the house or garage that we don't know what to do with. But Glendale's got a solution. The city's solid waste crews will come to your home to pick up your items and dispose of them safely.





Twice a year, Glendale's Solid Waste Division offers the free service, to the **first 750 households that make a reservation**. Residents can call to schedule a pick-up **Sept. 28 through Oct. 23**, and collections will be done between **Oct. 23 and Nov. 6**.

The service not only helps residents avoid transporting dangerous products, but helps keep regular garbage collections safer. The improper disposal of household hazardous wastes can cause problems for the entire community. Simple items that mix together can cause fires or deadly poisonous vapors that can harm city workers or others.

### **Coffee with a Cop**

Join your neighbors and Police Officer for Coffee and Conversation. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood.

For more information call Crime Prevention Specialist Doreen Anderson at 623-695-0440

**September 23, 2015 at 6 p.m.** at Ranch Market located at 6730 W. Camelback Rd.

### **Got Drugs? Safely Dispose of Them!**

The Glendale Police Department and the Drug Enforcement Administration are providing residents an opportunity to safely and conveniently dispose of expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical substances and other medications. Controlled, non-controlled and over the counter substances will be accepted on Saturday, **September 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the Glendale Adult Center located at 5970 W. Brown Street, North parking lot area.

\*Glass containers, inhalers, intra-venous solutions, injectable and syringes **CANNOT** be accepted due to potential hazards posed by blood-borne pathogens\*

For more information about this event, contact Officer Jeff Horsley at 623-930-4029 or Officer Andy Lynes at 623-930-2554.

### **Glendale Police Department Shred Event**

**Saturday, October 3 from 8 to 11 a.m.** at Target, 10404 N. 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave., Southwest Parking Lot Area. Four (4) banker boxes limit per household. Due to demand, event may conclude if trucks are full. For further information contact Doreen Anderson, Crime Prevention Specialist at 623-930-4044.

**Musical Mystery Tour Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors 2015  
Fundraiser -Tickets on Sale Now**



Tickets are now on sale for the second annual *Musical Mystery Tour* fundraiser to be held Saturday evening, October 3, 2015, on the DeVry University Sky Patio, overlooking Westgate and with a spectacular view of the West Valley, presented by the [Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors Foundation](#). The goal of the ***Musical Mystery Tour*** is to raise money for [Upward for Children and Families](#), whose mission it is to "bring joy and hope to the children they serve."

"We are very excited at the community response," said Nancy Lenox, president of the GCPA. "We're inviting all our friends, neighbors and business partners from throughout the valley to enjoy our second presentation of a wonderful evening of musical entertainment. This year's event is entitled **Sentimental Journey**, featuring the music of the '40s and '50's, with a special tribute to Luke Air Force Base who came to Glendale, Arizona during that period. Proceeds from this event will benefit [Upward for Children and Families](#). KTVK 3TV's Good Morning Arizona Weekend Anchor Jaime Cerreta has graciously agreed to serve as our Master of Ceremonies."

Lenox added, "Among our premier sponsors are the Glendale Convention and Visitor's Bureau, retired Glendale Mayor Elaine Scruggs, Disneyland and Midwestern University. Many other area businesses and individuals are supporting ***Musical Mystery Tour*** with cash contributions and/or prizes for our drawings. Catering will be provided by Fat Freddy's, one of the valley's most sought-after catering companies. Valet parking will also be available." She added, "Tickets are on sale now at just \$40 each."

The Glendale Civic Pride Ambassadors (GCPA) was organized to help promote economic, social and cultural vitality for Glendale and the surrounding area. They also raise funds to help the region's worthwhile charitable organizations through the GCPA Foundation, having donated more than \$300,000 to charity in the past decade.

Upward for Children and Families, a United Way agency, provides special education and therapies, including speech, feeding and swallowing, music, occupational and physical, for children and adults with developmental disabilities. Doug Carter, CEO of Upward, said, "We're so grateful to the GCPA for their generosity. Traditional funding sources are diminishing and we are in the midst of a capital campaign to improve our facilities. We really need their help. The GCPA Foundation has our sincere thanks, and we can't wait to enjoy the show!"

For more information about the 2015 Musical Mystery Tour, visit [www.musicalmysterytour.org](http://www.musicalmysterytour.org), or contact Nancy Lenox at



602.568.6202 / [nancylenox@cox.net](mailto:nancylenox@cox.net), To purchase tickets, call  
602.279.5801. Seating is limited, so please make your reservations early.

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